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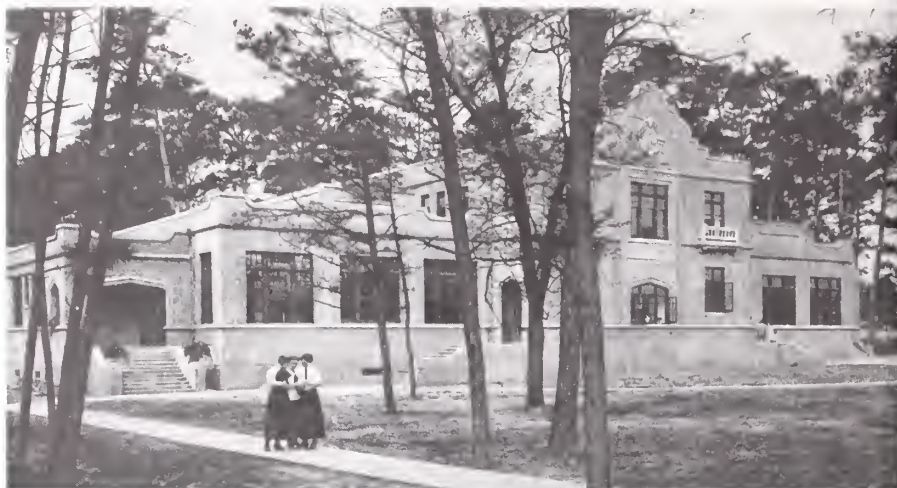
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Northwestern Then



THIS PHOTOGRAPH taken before 1920 shows Bienville Hall, which served for nearly a half-century as a dining hall and dormitory complex at Northwestern. The three-story, 3,000-square-foot brick structure was one of the most modern buildings in North Louisiana when it was built in 1918.

.... and Northwestern Now



FIRE OF UNDETERMINED origin destroyed Bienville Hall in early June. The building was not occupied and was scheduled to be demolished this summer. The two-story building was located on the western side of what was known as the Northwestern Square near several old dormitories.

THE COVER: The cover of this issue of *The Alumni Columns* is an abstract design produced by the Northwestern Art Department which shows the Northwestern Columns in a modernistic, red, white and blue design in commemoration of the nation's Bicentennial year.

News from Northwestern



Kruse



Brown



Viers



Rawson



Barridge

BIOLOGISTS GET GRANT

Two biologists from Northwestern have been awarded a \$5,000 grant from the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to assist the state in evaluating the white amur fish as an instrument for controlling aquatic weeds in Louisiana waters.

Dr. Dwayne Kruse and Dr. Charles Viers, associate professors in the university's Department of Biological Sciences, will be trying to determine what effect the white amur has on microscopic plant life and organisms.

A few years ago, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission introduced the carp-like white amur to private lakes and ponds. The fish is reported to be beneficial in the clearing of aquatic weeds which interfere with bass and other popular game fish.

According to Kruse, who is serving as director of the Northwestern research project, the aquatic weeds are tying up nutrients which are important in the development of bass.

BROWN GETS DOCTORATE

Richard G. Brown, associate professor of social sciences at Northwestern, has completed all requirements for the Ph.D. degree in history which he will receive in August during commencement exercises at the University of Southern Mississippi.

His major field of study is Modern Europe, and his minor fields are Medieval and United States history since 1865.

Brown's doctoral dissertation is entitled "Germany, Spain and the Caroline Islands, 1885-1899." It is a study of late 19th Century German imperialism in the Western Pacific.

NSU HORSE HONORED

Iben Thunder Bolt, a 16-month-old Arabian owned by Northwestern, was judged Junior Champion of the Louisiana All-Arabian Horse Show held recently on the Louisiana State University campus in Baton Rouge.

The dark gray yearling, making his first official appearance in competition, also won first place in the

class for stallions that were foaled in 1975 and was judged the winner of the Louisiana Futurity for Louisiana-bred stallions that were foaled in 1975.

The horse was trained and shown in Baton Rouge by Jim Long, veteran trainer for Elmwood Arabian Farm of Coushatta. He was assisted by Joey Wiggins, NSU equine scholarship student from Coushatta.

TOWNSEND ARTICLE

Dr. David Townsend, dean of the College of Business at Northwestern, has authored a paper which appears in the current issue of "Advocate," the official publication of the Los Angeles Trial Lawyers Association.

The paper is entitled "Determining the Present Value of Lost Future Earnings in Damage Suits" and was first presented in February to the Midsouth Academy of Economists in Birmingham, Ala.

In the article, Townsend examines critically two widely-used methods of determining the present value of lost future income in damage suits. He then presents an alternative approach which apparently eliminates some of the defects of the methods in current use.

HEART ASSOCIATION GRANT

An associate professor of microbiology at Northwestern has been awarded a \$3,100 research grant by the Louisiana Heart Association to conduct studies on the hemolytic mutants of group A Streptococci which produce a variety of diseases in man, including rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease.

Dr. Benny D. Barridge, who joined the NSU Department of Microbiology and Biochemistry faculty in 1974, said the studies he is conducting should offer an insight into the possibility that many strains of potentially-harmful streptococci are missed by current laboratory procedures.

The NSU researcher, who is being assisted by Northwestern graduate student William Owens of Homer,

stated that the staphylococcus and streptococcus branch of the Communicable Disease Center in Atlanta, Ga., has expressed an interest in his research recently and is assisting in some studies which the university is not equipped to perform.

RAWSON IS ELECTED

Dr. Donald M. Rawson, professor of history at Northwestern, has been elected president of the North Louisiana Historical Association.

Rawson, a faculty member in the university's Department of Social Sciences since 1960, was elected to the position during the association's annual meeting which was held recently in Shreveport in conjunction with that city's Holiday in Dixie celebration.

Before being elected president of the organization, Rawson served two years as vice-president of the association, which emphasizes historical studies of North Louisiana. Many of the studies are published in the quarterly North Louisiana Historical Association Journal.

HUCKABAY IS HONORED

Dr. Jackie Huckabay, a prominent physician from Coushatta and owner of the nationally-famous Elmwood Arabian Farm in Red River Parish, has been inducted into Northwestern's Agriculture Hall of Fame.

Huckabay, who owns some of the best-known Arabian breeding and show horses in the United States, was inducted into the shrine during the annual NSU Agriculture Club banquet.

MRS. TAYLOR NAMED

Mrs. Irma Stockwell Taylor, professor of speech at Northwestern, has been elected to the state board of directors for the Louisiana Association for Mental Health.

Mrs. Taylor, who currently serves as president of the Natchitoches Association for Mental Health, was also elected as an alternate state delegate to the National Association for Mental Health convention to be held in Philadelphia in November.

Northwestern's Fort Polk Building Is Dedicated

President Arnold R. Kilpatrick of Northwestern said during dedication ceremonies at NSU's Fort Polk campus June 14 that the traditional university campus "is no longer capable of meeting the unique challenges of today."

Kilpatrick said during ribbon-cutting at Northwestern's new classroom and administration center that "This joint effort in establishing a Northwestern campus at Fort Polk is a significant step toward making available life's chances to enjoy the fruits of democracy by thousands of young people in the decades to come."

In his dedicatory remarks, Kilpatrick also stated, "Educators at Northwestern respond to the challenge to go where the people are and to go where there are opportunities to communicate skills, attitudes and intellectual capacities to those in whose hands America's future rests."

Brig. Gen. Thomas W. Bowen, deputy commanding general for the Fifth Infantry Division at Fort Polk, said during the program, "At Fort Polk, training and education are major objectives, and this new building will create one more opportunity for both career and educational advancement for our troops as well as other people in the area."

He added, "This dedication is symbolic of several things . . . certainly the permanency and viability of Fort Polk, the growth of the Fifth Infantry Division and one more part of illustrating the beginning of true communication within the whole area."

Kilpatrick pointed out during his address that Northwestern had 2,940 students enrolled in its Fort Polk education program last semester. Summer session classes at the Fort Polk campus began the day the building was dedicated.

The Northwestern president said, "We come to dedicate this beautiful and functional campus today because we at Northwestern recognize that many young people from all over this country will come to Fort Polk, where their best opportunity to enhance their place in the world will be through participation in education at this facility."

Kilpatrick expressed appreciation to authorities at Fort Polk, educators across Northwest Louisiana, legislators and other elected officials "who were instrumental in the development of the Fort Polk campus and this \$475,000 structure."



PARTICIPATING IN ceremonies marking the opening of Northwestern's classroom and administrative center at Fort Polk June 14 were, from left, U.S. Army civilian representative George Houston; Rep. Jimmy Long of Natchitoches; Brig. Gen. Thomas W. Bowen; Rep. Claude Leach, Jr.; Sen. Don Kelly; President Arnold Kilpatrick and Rep. Bud Brady.

Several elected officials spoke briefly during the ceremonies. Rep. Claude Leach, Jr., of Leesville, chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, said, "The Fort Polk campus of Northwestern is an economic investment in higher education which will complement the industry which the new Fort Polk represents for this section of Louisiana."

"All of us in the Legislature are pleased to cooperate with and support the endeavors of Northwestern and Fort Polk officials in a great contribution to our people."

Other members of the Legislature participating in the dedication ceremonies were Rep. Jimmy Long of Natchitoches, chairman of the House Education Committee; Sen. Don Kelly of Natchitoches and Rep. Thomas Brady of Olla.

The importance of the Northwestern-Fort Polk campus to civilians in the west Louisiana area was discussed during the dedication program by George Houston of DeRidder, civilian aide to the Secretary of the Army for Louisiana.

Dr. C. B. Ellis, director of external affairs and assistant to the president of NSU, served as master of ceremonies for the dedication activities, which were conducted in conjunction

with the national observance of Flag Day. A reception followed the dedication in the classroom and administration building.

The ribbon officially opening the center was cut by Kilpatrick and Brig. Gen. Bowen. Members of the Legislature and other elected officials also participated in the ribbon-cutting ceremonies.

George Reid, Northwestern's educational coordinator for the Fort Polk campus, coordinated the ribbon-cutting and dedication program.

Construction on the 11,000-square foot Northwestern education center began in March of 1975 and was completed in May of 1976. The facility was constructed by Lincoln Builders of Ruston and designed by H. H. Land Architects Inc., of Monroe.

Included in the building are 11 classrooms, two laboratories which will accommodate 315 students, five study carrels and administrative offices.

Northwestern's educational complex is being developed on a 160-acre tract of land donated to the university by Fort Polk in 1974. The property is located on Louisiana Highway 167 or the Fort Polk military reservation some seven miles from Leesville, seven miles from North Fort Polk and three miles from South Fort Polk.



Jim Wilson



Richard Wadsack



Charles Park

NSU Graduates Help Develop 'Louisiana Cavalier'

The Bicentennial summer of '76 is especially significant in Natchitoches Parish since the Louisiana Outdoor Drama Association opened its long-awaited production, "Louisiana Cavalier."

Grand Ecore Amphitheatre, the \$700,000, 1400-seat facility built to house the historical drama, is located in the wooded hills four miles east of Natchitoches. During its premiere season, the show will run through September 6th.

The drama and the amphitheatre mean a big economic and cultural boost for the area—and for the state—and three Northwestern alumni are helping make it all happen.

Charles Park has been LODA's executive director since his graduation from NSU in 1972. The responsibilities of fund-raising and construction largely behind him now, he is focusing his attention on developing a spectacular show that will attract tens of thousands of people to Natchitoches each summer.

"We have a great story to tell," he says. "Louisiana Cavalier" traces the adventures of St. Denis, the French soldier-explorer who founded Natchitoches in 1714. His explorations and expeditions covered most of what is now southwestern America and brought him into dramatic contact with the Spanish and Indians."

Paul Green, a Pulitzer Prize-winner who is considered the country's foremost outdoor dramatist, wrote the play. His eight highly successful productions already in operation vouch for his reputation. A cast and crew of nearly 100, lots of action, authentic costumes, music and dance and some spectacular lighting combine to bring the history of the Natchitoches area to life.

Louisiana Cavalier's production staff includes artistic director Robert

Buseick of Centenary College, his colleague Ginger Darnell Folmer, the show's choreographer, and Dr. William A. Hunt, NSU's director of choral activities and "Cavalier's" musical director.

"What we generally tend to think of as 'theatre' hardly applies to "Louisiana Cavalier," says Richard Wadsack, LODA's public relations director and a 1972 graduate of NSU. "It is more like watching a movie being made.

"The playing area is massive and, of course, there are no walls, and no ceiling except for the stars. Our 'backdrop' is a magnificent line of towering pine and hardwood sprinkled with Spanish moss, and instead of a flat stage, we have a terraced, landscaped setting very much like the natural terrain."

James Wilson designed the set for "Louisiana Cavalier" and serves as box office manager for the production.

"We have tried to minimize dis-

ruption of the natural environment," says Wilson, "and we've designed the playing area to be as flexible as possible. Hopefully, Grand Ecore Amphitheatre will become a major center for the performing arts. It certainly has the equipment."

Wilson, a 1973 NSU graduate, has his BA in Speech and Drama and for the past two years was the Director of the South Arkansas Arts Center in El Dorado.

"It has taken six years and the help of a great many organizations and people to put this all together," says Park, "but now we have something here the entire state can be proud of."

"Louisiana Cavalier" and Grand Ecore Amphitheatre will be a special source of pride for the people of the Natchitoches area—whose heritage they reflect—and for NSU, whose alumni and faculty have worked to bring that heritage to life.

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NSU Professor Studies Helium

An associate professor of physics at Northwestern is contributing to the theoretical understanding of liquid helium through his research study of the strange and interesting properties of the remarkable fluid.

Dr. Joon C. Lee, research scientist in the Department of Chemistry and Physics at Northwestern, states that the physical phenomena discovered in liquid helium are enormously important and that study of helium offers new knowledge of the behavior of atoms and molecules.

"The understanding of the extraordinary liquid helium gives insight into the behavior of more ordinary liquids in general," said the NSU researcher, whose study of helium has resulted in the publication of several papers in *Physical Review*.

Portions of Lee's research were described in a lecture Lee gave recently to the American Physical Society meeting in Atlanta, Ga. His talk was entitled "Sound Attenuation in Superfluid Helium."

"The forces between helium atoms are weaker than for any other substance," Lee states. "Consequently, it must be cooled to extremely low temperatures before it becomes a liquid. This requires the incredibly low temperature of over 400 degrees below zero Fahrenheit."

At even lower temperatures, about 450 degrees below zero, Lee has found that the properties of liquid helium suddenly change and the fluid does things that do not happen in any other liquids at any temperature.

"Ordinary liquids have viscosity, the result of molecules adhering to each other thus making the fluid less able to move," said Lee. "Molasses and motor oil, for example, become very viscous when cold."

"However, helium at these extremely low temperatures has no viscosity. The ability of liquid helium to move without viscosity enables it to get in places where an ordinary liquid cannot. This is why we use the term superfluid."

According to Lee, a thin film of the liquid will climb up the walls of a container in apparent defiance of the laws of gravity. "A bottle of superfluid helium will empty itself," he states.

Further experiments with liquid helium are being performed at Northwestern by Dr. Robert P. Roger, who accompanied Lee to the Atlanta meet.



John M. Price

Retiring Faculty Members Honored

Nineteen retiring faculty and staff members at Northwestern State University were recognized for their years of service to the institution during a reception this spring.

NSU President and Mrs. Arnold R. Kilpatrick hosted the annual retirees' reception.

Among those retiring are Orville J. Hanchey, professor and chairman of the Department of Art; Dr. Tandy McElwee, professor and chairman of the Department of Testing; Mary Esther Roberson, professor of home economics; Mrs. Maxine Southerland, associate professor of home economics, and Dr. Mildred Steckman, professor of curriculum and instruction.

Retiring May 14 were Miss Roberson, a member of the home economics faculty for nearly 25 years; Mrs. Southerland, who joined the faculty in 1966, and Dr. Steckman, who has been a faculty member at NSU since 1971.

Hanchey, who has been on the art faculty since 1953, and McElwee, with 20 years of service to the university, retired on June 30.

Also retiring in May were student resident dormitory directors Mrs. Lacey B. Weaver and Mrs. Lillian C. Richardson. Retiring this summer will be Roy Barnhill, a maintenance superintendent, and Mrs. O'déal Pharris, an employee in the university's post office.

Personnel who retired earlier this year were Mrs. Susie Allums, secretarial employee; Joseph Hamilton, custodial worker; Mrs. Vilest Hooper, custodial worker; Mrs. Daisy Jones, custodial worker; Mrs. Doris McBride, library technical assistant; Leon Metcalf, laborer and utilities; Mrs. Deaver Richardson, custodial worker; Mrs. Gertrude Solomon, secretarial employee; Mrs. Frances Townsend, secretarial employee and Mrs. Sadie Williams, custodial worker.

Price Is Named To State Panel

John M. Price, head of special collections and director of the Louisiana Studies Institute at Northwestern, has been appointed by Gov. Edwin Edwards to a two-year term on the Louisiana Historical Records Advisory Commission.

Price is one of 21 persons whom the governor appointed for staggered terms on the commission.

The Louisiana Historical Records Advisory Commission, created in April by executive order, will be responsible for the collection, preservation and publication of papers of outstanding citizens of the state and other historical papers and documents that are important for a better understanding and appreciation of the history of Louisiana and of the United States.

The state commission was brought into existence following the creation of the National Historic Publications and Records Commission.

A majority of the commission members are persons of recognized professional qualifications and experience in the administration of historical records or in a field of research which makes extensive use of such records. Other members of the commission possess a known interest in the administration and use of historical records.

The commission, whose members represent the public and private archival and research institutions and organizations of Louisiana, will serve as an advisory body for planning historical records and projects developed and carried out under the program in the state.

Price has been head of special collections and director of the Louisiana Studies Institute at Northwestern since 1972. Before joining the staff at NSU, he served three years as head of the archives department of Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge.

The NSU archivist and Eugene D. Genovese, one of the nation's best-known historians on slavery, have published a series of archival documents. Their "Southern Historical Manuscripts" was published in 1971 by Greenwood Press.

Price, who helped develop the university archives for the Board of Supervisors at LSU, also contributed a chapter to Genovese's slavery anthology which is entitled "Plantation, Town and Country." The anthology was published by the University of Illinois Press.



Cheryl Ann Purcell of Marrero, the reigning Miss Northwestern, was one of 10 semi-finalists who competed June 26 for the title of Miss Louisiana in Monroe. Sponsored by the university's Student Union Governing Board, Cheryl is the first Miss NSU to be chosen as a state semi-finalist.

Graduate Dorm Is Established

A unique student service has been added at Northwestern with the establishment of Louisiana Hall as a dormitory for graduate students enrolled in the summer session which began May 30 at NSU.

Dr. T. P. Southerland, dean of the university's Graduate School, said the dormitory to be used exclusively by graduate students was established at Northwestern after careful study of the needs of summer term students.

"We decided that we needed a dormitory that could accommodate the mature graduate student and accommodate those who are single, married or married with a family," said the NSU dean. "We want them to come to the Natchitoches campus with their families, study, and at the same time, enjoy some of the recreational and cultural activities offered by the university and the community."

Louisiana Hall is one of the most modern dormitories at Northwestern and is centrally located on the campus. The dormitory contains suites that include two bedrooms and a bath. Management of the dormitory will be similar to that of a hotel, according to Southerland.

Southerland stated that children of graduate students who are in kindergarten or elementary school are enrolled in the NSU Laboratory School for the summer session.

"Establishing Louisiana Hall as a dormitory for graduate students is one of the many new innovations we are planning for graduate students in education and other academic areas," said Southerland.

Plans Starting For Homecoming

The Demons of Northwestern will host the Cajuns of Southwestern Louisiana in the first Homecoming game to be played in the Harry Turpin Football Stadium on Saturday, November 13, 1976.

The theme of Homecoming '76 will involve our nation's 200th birthday and historical heritage. New programs are being proposed in an all-out attempt to involve students, faculty and alumni in the planning of the festivities.

The Homecoming parade, dance, pep rally and display contest are a few of the many activities which will be revived for the Fall Homecoming of 1976.

Highlighting events of the day will be the coronation of the Homecoming Queen and the presentation of the queen and her court which will be nominated and elected by popular vote of the NSU student body in October.

Visiting alumni will have numerous opportunities to renew old acquaintances at receptions, meals, activities, and the football game. More information and details concerning Homecoming '76 will be released in the near future. Anyone interested in working with the committees should contact the Alumni Office as soon as possible.

Alumni Chapter Honors Officials

The Baton Rouge chapter of Northwestern alumni hosted state senators and representatives, elected officials, Board of Trustee and Board of Regents at a reception on July 6 at Chateau Capitol in Baton Rouge.

Dr. Dan Walsh, Baton Rouge president, reported that a large number of dinitaries attended. NSU President Arnold Kilpatrick expressed appreciation on behalf of alumni for the contributions that had been made to the university and invited them to consider the needs of higher education in the important decisions they were making this Legislative session.

Other attending were Alumni President Dr. Harold Denning, NSU Foundation President Ed Dranguet, newly elected mayor of Natchitoches Robert DeBlieux and other alumni leaders from Baton Rouge and Natchitoches.



William Hochstetler

Hochstetler New Recreation Head

William H. Hochstetler of Monroe has been appointed director of intramurals and outdoor recreational swimming pool manager at Northwestern, according to NSU president Dr. Arnold R. Kilpatrick.

Hochstetler, whose appointment becomes effective July 1, will be responsible for administering a campus-wide intramural program and managing the university's new 50-meter outdoor swimming pool.

The Olympic-size swimming pool and a modern pool service building, which are included in the first phase of construction of the 78-acre outdoor recreation complex at NSU, are scheduled to be in operation when students return to the campus this fall.

As director of intramurals, Hochstetler will administer a wide range of athletic activities in which more than 60 per cent of the university's on-campus student population are participants.

Included in the intramural activities are flag football, basketball, tennis, bowling, softball, canoeing, volleyball, handball, paddleball, track and field, cross country, chess, checkers, table tennis, fishing, sailing, hose-shoes, golf and swimming.

Hochstetler received his master's degree in recreation administration this spring from Northwestern. He earned his bachelor's degree from Louisiana Tech University in 1973.

Northwestern's new full-time intramural director and pool manager is a member of Phi Epsilon Kappa national physical education fraternity for men, National Recreational and Park Association and the Louisiana Recreational and Park Association.

As a graduate assistant at Northwestern last year, Hochstetler served as director of intramural sports. In 1974, he was a graduate assistant in the intramural department at Louisiana Tech University.

Alumni President's Message

By Dr. Harold Denning

Mark it right now—Saturday, November 13, 1976. One of the biggest and best homecomings ever is planned in celebration of America's 200th birthday and NSU's 92nd birthday. We need you from far and near to



Denning

return to old Natchitoches and see the exciting things happening in our university. President Kilpatrick tells me that Northwestern—like all universities—will have a tough time financially this year due to the shortage of state funds. Please join me in speaking to Legislators about the urgency of adequate support for higher education.

More specifically, how about keeping your eyes open for students who may be interesting in attending Northwestern. Send their names and addresses to Lum Ellis at Northwestern. The future of our school depends on all of us helping recruit outstanding students.

I am excited about the NSU Alumni ski trip scheduled for January 2, 1977. Indicate your interest to the Alumni Office today. It is on a first-come, first served basis.

Incidentally, while you are writing the Alumni Office, why don't you include your 1976 contribution to the NSU Foundation. Many wonderful things are done for students with gifts we make that are tax deductible.

Purple Jacket Program Slated

Hundreds of outstanding Northwestern students were selected through the years for membership in the NSU Purple Jacket Club, which will hold its 50th anniversary on Nov. 13, 1976.

All former Purple Jackets are asked to contact the Purple Jacket Club, Northwestern, to obtain information on the 50th anniversary celebration. It is hoped that scores of former Purple Jackets will return to the campus for Homecoming and for the special anniversary program.

Colorado Ski Vacation For Alumni

The Northwestern Alumni Association is sponsoring a ski vacation to Colorado Jan. 2-9, 1977. The group will leave the campus at noon Jan. 2 and return at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 9. Arrangements have been made at Telluride, Colorado, one of the most beautiful ski areas in the United States.

Group rates make possible this popular recreation trip at a considerable savings for NSU students. Transportation, lodging, and ski lifts for eight days will be approximately \$175. Alumni interested in additional information and reservations should write Dr. C. B. Ellis at Northwestern. Reservations will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis.

Alumni President Dr. Harold Denning said, "The ski vacation will allow Northwestern graduates and faculty to save money and enjoy the companionship, scenery, and skiing. Contact some of your favorite classmates and make plans to join us."

Message from the President

by Dr. Arnold R. Kilpatrick, President
Northwestern State University

A tellow university president recently said, "Bigger is not necessarily better in higher education." The emphasis at Northwestern is on quality education. Of course, we welcome and endeavor to recruit outstanding students from all over the world, but



Kilpatrick

our greatest challenge is not to become the biggest but the best. Alumni and the present student body continually express appreciation to the faculty members who have made their education at Northwestern meaningful.

We often overlook the central place that classroom instruction plays in the educational process. All the things we do are important only in relation to their support of academic excellence.

To all of the alumni we extend a very sincere invitation to return to the campus on Saturday, November 13, 1976, for a special Bicentennial Homecoming. At this time we hope that you will take advantage of the opportunity to say a word of encouragement and appreciation to your old professors as well as to those that teach here now. Educators, as all of you know, are not paid consistently with the important role they

play in our society. An encouraging word from you helps keep all of us going.

On behalf of the entire university family, I thank you for all the alumni have done in contributing to the NSU Foundation, sending student and in speaking to your legislators in support of your Alma Mater.

N Club Members' Addresses Needed

Anyone who received an athletic letter at Northwestern but who is not receiving the Graduate N Club Newsletter is asked to send their name and address to Secretary, Graduate N Club, NSU. The Graduate N Club is assisting members of the 1966 football team in planning a 10th anniversary celebration this year of the undefeated season. Efforts are being made to contact members of the 1966 team.

If you played on the 1966 team, please send your name and address to Graduate N Club, NSU.

NSU FOOTBALL SCHEDULE, 1976

Sept. 11 Lamar	Beaumont, Tex.
Sept. 18 S. F. Austin	Natchitoches
Sept. 25 Delta State	Natchitoches
Oct. 2 Ark. State	Jonesboro, Ark.
Oct. 9 Nicholls State	Natchitoches
Oct. 16 Open Date	
Oct. 23 La. Tech	Shreveport
Oct. 30 Northeast La.	Monroe
Nov. 6 McNeese State	Lake Charles
Nov. 13 Southwestern La.	Natchitoches
Nov. 20 Southeastern La.	Natchitoches

Demon Booster Campaign Opens

An organizational meeting of the 1976 Demon Booster Club was held June 29 as a large number of Northwestern athletic supporters toured the new football stadium and dined at Holiday Inn afterwards.

NSU's new Demon Booster Club has been divided into four smaller clubs, including Quarterback Club (\$50), Century Club (\$100), Pitchfork Club (\$250) and Purple-White Club (\$500).

The prestigious Purple-White Club members will receive a Demon jacket, seats in the VIP suite, plaque, close parking to all athletic events, access to the new fieldhouse facilities and first shot at season tickets.

The Pitchfork Club members get everything the Purple-White Club members receive except the jacket while the Century Club members will have almost the same privileges as the Pitchfork Club members.

Quarterback Club members will have parking, first shot at tickets, and a packet of information on Demon Athletics.

All interested alumni should contact Athletic Director George Doherty for more information.

Six Are Inducted

Heisman Trophy winners Billy Cannon and John David Crow, Kentucky Derby winning jockey J. D. Mooney, world pole vault champion John Pennel, Olympic star Sid Brown and world lightweight boxing champion Joe Brown were inducted to the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame of June 5 at Northwestern.

More than 375 persons packed the NSU Suttden Union Ballroom for induction ceremonies, which was sponsored by the Louisiana Sports Writers Association and Northwestern. The Hall of Fame showcase is located in NSU's Prather Coliseum.

Northwestern Spring Sports Season Termed Best in History of School

"This was probably the best spring sports season Northwestern has ever had as far as national recognition is concerned," according to NSU Athletic Director George Doherty.

By George, you're right.

Northwestern's track and tennis teams—as expected—gained national publicity for the university by making strong showings in national tournaments.

Coach Jerry Dyes' track team, practicing in a grass field this season during construction on the football and track facilities, surpassed everyone's pre-season expectations with a second place finish in the NAIA National Track Meet at Arkadelphia, Ark.

The following week the Demons were eighth in the NCAA Division II National Track Meet at Slippery Rock, Pa. There were more than 100 teams entered.

In Arkansas, powerful Eastern New Mexico was the only school in a 129-team field that could stay with the Demons, outscoring NSU 56 to 52.

Performance-wise, Northwestern's 1976 track edition had to be the best in Louisiana history. Following are just some of NSU's times, heights and distances this season: 9.5, 100 yard dash, Robert Hardwell; 100 meters, 10.1, Hardwell; 20.8, 200 meters, Hardwell; 45.9, 400 meters, Andrei Moore; 46.5, 440 yards, A. Moore; 1:49.2, 800 meters, Leo Gatson; 1:51.2, 880 yards, Gatson; 3:46.93, 1,500 meters, Gatson; 8:52.4, 3,000 meter steeplechase, Randy Moore; 29:19.3, six mile run, Frank Trammel; 2:38.40.3, marathon (26 miles, 385 yards), Mark Bolt; 14.29, 120 yard high hurdles, Gary Richard; 40.77, 440 yard relay; 3:11.93, mile relay; 3:18.17, sprint medley relay; 16-6, pole vault, John Barrier; 7-0½, high jump, John Green; 26-2, long jump, Mike Brown; 52-7½, triple jump, Bobby McIntosh; 167-0½, discus, Grady Lee.

Both Andrei Moore (440 meters) and Robert Hardwell (200 meters) also competed in the United States Olympic Trials at Eugene, Oregon in June. It was the first time NSU has been represented in the Olympic track and field trials.

Coach Johnnie Emmons' tennis team had a sparkling 24-1 dual match record, including 23 straight wins to finish the season. The only loss was 6-3 to Lamar University at Beaumont, Tex. in the second match of the campaign. Later in the season, NSU came back to whip Lamar 6-3 on the NSU Courts.

Freshmen Ricardo Acuna and Juan Lopez both of Santiago, Chile; sophomores Gregg Manning of Richardson, Tex. and Luis Varela of Santiago, Tex. and Steve Fricker of Hamilton, Ontario (Canada) and Mike Phillips of Galveston, Tex. combined to make NSU's 1976 tennis team the best in school history.

Northwestern was ninth in the 28-team NCAA Division II National Tennis Tournament at Maryville, Mo. Varela and Manning both made the third round in singles before being eliminated.

In baseball, sophomore left fielder Curtis Ardoin of Opelousas batted .422 for the second best average in school history as Coach Herbie Smith's Demons posted a 13-24-1 record against a rugged schedule. Ardoin set school records with 31 bases on balls and 15 stolen bases.

Junior first baseman Bud Oberle of Helena, Ark. was voted the most valuable player with a .328 batting average and a team-leading 33 runs batted in. He also had five home runs and 10 doubles.

Senior Trenton Eversull of Natchitoches-St. Mary's paced the Demon golfers of Dr. Derwood Duke with a 78.1 stroke average and a low round of 72. It was the second straight year for Eversull to win medalist honors.

Demons Will Play In New Stadium

Northwestern will play its home games in the new Harry "Rags" Turpin Football Stadium this fall, according to an announcement from Head Football Coach A. L. Williams.

The newly-constructed East side of the stadium will seat approximately 6,000 for students and general admission while some 3,000 chairback, theatre-type seats will be available on the lower deck of the west side. All west side seats are reserved.

There will be 15,522 seats in the stadium when it is completed in 1977.

Official completion of the entire stadium, including the pressbox and upper deck on the west side, is scheduled for September, 1977, but the field and stadium will be ready for use this fall.

Alumni Faces and Names in the News



Wayne Dew



George W. Younger



Linda K. Weldon



Kathryn Webb



Sandy K. Holt

1910's

1917—ANN TIMON JACKSON of Timon Plantation in Powhatan is a retired principal of Metairie Grammar School in Jefferson. She is now breeding Angus beef and registered Brahmas on her Timon Plantation.

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1920's

1922—ROBERTA Y. BABIN of Opelousas is an Old Normal graduate. She taught in St. Landry, Terrebonne, St. Bernard, Lafourche and Vermillion Parishes before retiring in 1966 from Pecou Island High School where she taught for 22 years. In 1966, Pope Paul VI granted her the Papal Honoree Bene Merenti Medal.

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1940's

1949—KATHRYN WEBB of Robeline was recently honored at the Louisiana Home Economics Association State Meeting, where she was recognized as the state's outstanding home economics teacher. She was selected by LHEA and Family Circle Magazine.

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1945—PAULINE H. ORCUTT of Dallas, Tex., is serving as an elected member of the National Educational Foundation of the American Association of University Women.

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1950's

1956—WAYNE C. DEW of Natchitoches is completing his term as president of the Louisiana School Boards Association climaxing three years as an officer in the association. He is presently serving in his 14th year on the Natchitoches Parish School Board.

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1952—ELVA SUE KIMBALL of Houston, Tex., is a mathematics graduate of Northwestern and has been

employed since 1974 at McCormick Oil & Gas Corporation as a division order and title analyst.

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1950—JULIA SHULAR CAIN of Athens, Tex., is co-owner of Montgomery Ward Catalogue Sales agencies in Athens and Gun Barel City, Tex.

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1957—DR. THOMAS E. GRAY of Murray, Ky., is chairman of the Department of Graphic Arts in the College of Industry and Technology at Murray State University. He received his B.S. and M.S. degrees from Northwestern and his Ph.D. from Texas A&M University.

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1959—CHARLES B. AULDS of Cleveland, Tenn., is a silvaculturist for the U. S. Forest Service in the Cherokee National Forest.

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1960's

1965—LINDA K. WELDON of Orem, Utah, was recently named valedictorian of the 1976 spring graduation exercises of the College of Physical Education at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah. She received her master's degree in health education.

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1969—GEORGE W. YOUNGER, a native of Natchitoches, has been awarded the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree from Tuskegee Institute in Alabama.

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1965—GEORGE STEWART of Honolulu, Hawaii, is territory manager for Shell Oil Co.

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1965—SHERRY SHARP INGRAM of Lena is presently teaching at Boyce Elementary School.

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1969 — SYLVIA MAUREEN B. LEWIS of Nashville, Tenn., is mar-

ried to Fred Lewis, who received his master's degree in microbiology from NSU in 1971. Fred earned his Ph.D. in microbiology at Bowman Gray School of Medicine at Wake Forest University and is now employed as a research associate at Panderbilt University.

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1970's

1972—SANDY KAY HOLT has won her wings and is now a flight attendant with Delta Air Lines. She completed four weeks of training at the Delta Training School at the Hartsfield Atlanta International Airport. She is based in New Orleans.

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1972—JUDY LYNN TAUNTON of New Orleans is a registered dietician working at Veterans Administration Hospital in New Orleans.

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1975—TERRY W. LEHR of Shreveport is teaching at Hillsdale Elementary where she is working with special education students.

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1975—PEGGY VIDRINE of Ville Platte has completed one year of work as assistant home economist of Vernon Parish. She is employed by the LSU Cooperative Extension Service.

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1973—MARK G. HANNA of Memphis, Tenn., is a consumer columnist for The Commercial Appeal newspaper in Memphis.

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1971—VIRGINIA GULLEDGE NEWSOM of Ft. Walton Beach, Fla., is teaching third grade at Penwood Elementary in Ft. Walton. She recently received her M.A. degree in elementary education from the University of West Florida.

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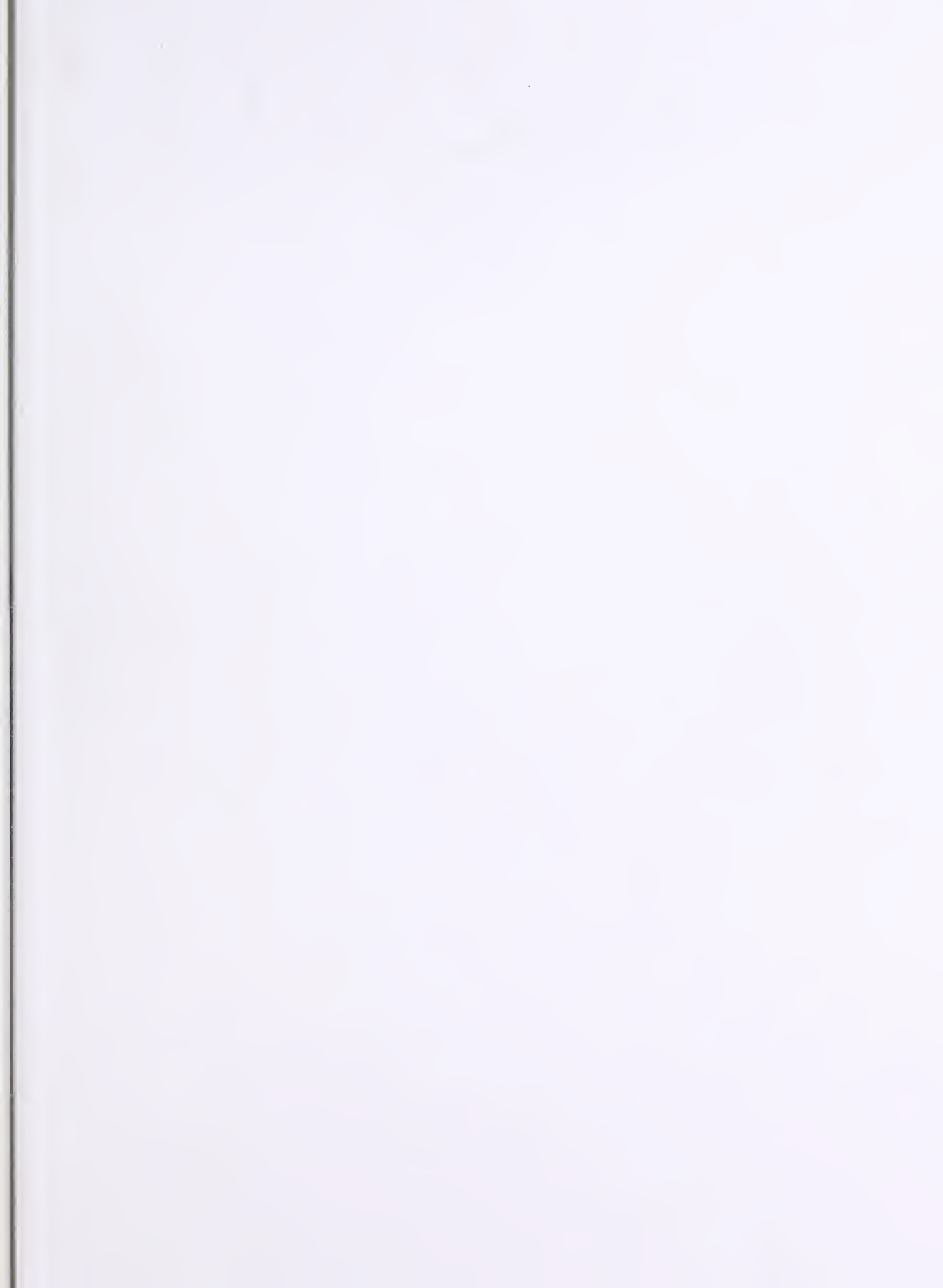
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